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REPLY TO SECOND NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is responsive to the Office Action of September 17, 2007 (the "Office Action"). A petition for a 3-month extension of time and authorization for payment of the requisite fee are filed herewith. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 below.

Remarks begin on page 8 below.

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I hereby certify that this document and any other document referenced herein as accompanying this document, is being filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office via EFS-web on the date indicated below.

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